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Not a New Frontier Party

By Marie McNair

FORMER Atomic Energy Commissioner and Mrs. Lewis Strauss thought the best way to get to see all their friends after summer absences would be to give a cocktail party. And they were so right!

They enclosed the garden at the 1925 F Street Club in a green and white striped tent, had a bar and buffet set up there and their friends kept the area filled all afternoon.

Everyone seemed to know everyone else except Marie Ridder, who with her husband, Walter, runs Ridder Publications. It was definitely not the New Frontier group.

It was, rather, outstanding Republicans from the Senate; a former Eisenhower Cabinet member, Secretary of State Christian Herter who returned remarkably fit after a summer in New England; Alice Longworth who never loses her sparkle; and Central Intelligence Director John McCone, and Mrs. McCone. Allen Dulles, who headed the CIA under President Eisenhower was there, and his conversations with various friends were all cocktail banter. There was a little private bickering going on between friends on what the vote would be on the test ban today in the Senate. Sen. Hugh Scott hasn't



Mrs. McNair

changed his opinion on the figure 83 in favor of it.

Former Chief of Naval Operations, Adm. Arleigh Burke was at the party and Adm. Robert (Mick) Carney and Grace Carney, too often missing on the cocktail circuit, showed up.

With Gen. and Mrs. John E. Hull were Lucille Hull's brother and sister-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Davis, visiting them from Tulsa, Okla., for a week. Mrs. Davis gave up newspaper reporting and her daughter is carrying on the tradition as society editor of a Tulsa paper.

The Charles Glovers, who spent all summer at their farm in Virginia, said the drought almost ruined the crops. Douglas Smith, president of the National Savings and Trust Bank, who lives in Warrenton, lamented the only holiday he and Mrs. Smith could manage was five days at Hot Springs, Va. after their daughter's wedding.

Sen. Bourke Hickenlooper and Sen. Kenneth Keating came after the Senate vote defeating the Goldwater proposal for treaty ban reservations.

The British Ambassador, Sir David Ormsby Gore, was there and former Ambassador and Mrs. Myron Cowen who've been traveling all summer were getting a welcome back.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Ching, Morris and Gwen Cafritz, Mrs. Robert R. McCormick were all meeting for the first time the Strauss's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Strauss, who've recently

moved to Washington and have taken a house in Bethesda. Rear Adm. Tom Kelly answering inquiries about his wife, reported, that she was home with an ailment which sounded like an allergy.

William C. Foster, Director of Arms Control and Disarmament Agency came and Mrs. Foster, in chic "basic black" said she never knows what to wear at this time of year. She wasn't alone. Certainly the Fall trend wasn't on parade yesterday.